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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.		Applicant(s)	
	10/573,462		KINOSHITA ET AL.	
	Examiner		Art Unit	
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All Participants:

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Date of Interview: 13 December 2010

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: .

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

35 U.S.C. 102(a and e)

Claims discussed:

1, 13-15 and 17

Prior art documents discussed:

Nagayama et al. (U.S. 2005/208347 A1)

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

Status of Application: Pending

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Time: 10:00 a.m.

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Applicants' representative clarified the applicants' position regarding the arguments with respect to Nagayama et al. Applicants' representative was not arguing that the instant claims define a discharge circuit printed on the positive/negative active material or the ion conduction material. The discharge circuit is printed on a layer that comprises a negative/positive active material or ion conduction material. Applicants' representative argued the Nagayama et al. does not disclose a discharge circuit printed on a negative electrode layer, positive electrode layer or electrolyte layer because the diodes of Nagayama et al. are formed on a collector. The Examiner argued that the claim language does not preclude the discharge circuit being formed on a collector. A discharge circuit printed on the electrolyte layer would be formed within the the negative/positive electrode layer and thus be formed on the collector. The Examiner also argued the Nagayama discloses a discharge circuit within the negative electrode layer and thus is formed (i.e., printed) on the electrolyte layer. No agreement was reached. The applicants' representative argued that Nagayama explicitly discloses that the diodes are formed on the collector. The Examiner argued that the method of making is not given patentable weight in a product claim and the product of Nagayama anticipates the instant claim. Nagayama discloses a group of diodes formed on the collector and an electrolyte layer is interposed between collectors. Thus, the cell of Nagayama discloses a group of diodes (i.e., discharge circuit) formed on an electrolyte layer. No agreement was reached.